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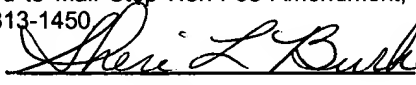
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on May 28, 2003. The Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the following amendments and remarks prior to further examination of the present application.

AMENDMENTS

- **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this Response.
- **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this Response.
- **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 14 of this Response and include a new drawing sheet having one drawing figure.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 15 of this Response.
- An **Appendix** including one sheet of amended drawing figures (Fig. 3), and a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 is attached following page 27 of this Response.